



INDIANA EARLY LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Evaluation of Child Outcomes Workgroup

Meeting Summary

September 10, 2015

1:00pm – 3:00pm

MEMBERS

Kevin Bain

Melanie Brizzi

Charlie Geier

Tammy Veselsky

Alonzo Weems

ADVISORY MEMBERS

John Burnett

Connie Sherman

Attendees: Beth Stroh, Beth Barrett, Kevin Bain, Dana Jones, Aliah Carolan-Silva, Kerri Wortinger, Monica DiOrio

Key Topics Discussed:

- Addition of workgroup members from all professional backgrounds.
- The Kindergarten Assessment White Paper was approved and adopted by ELAC at the August meeting:
 - ELAC asked if the workgroup would be willing to expand the scope of the current document to include the continuum of assessments that occur for birth to age 8, so the workgroup would need to add birth to age 3 and grades K-3 assessments, to which the workgroup members agreed.
- The Statewide Kindergarten Assessment Practices survey results are posted in Wiggo:
 - At the close of the survey, 76 counties were represented with 59% of school districts reported having a Kindergarten Readiness assessment in place;
 - The subcommittee members agreed to further review the data to determine its implications in order to decide the next steps for the workgroup.
- The Head Start Outcomes survey has been sent to Head Start programs statewide, and we anticipate a summary of the results at the next workgroup meeting.
- ELAC is moving forward with the development of a website to share information and has secured two web domains: www.ELACIndiana.org and www.ELACIndiana.com
- The initial EEMG evaluation results presentation received feedback that some explanations of the findings are needed:
 - It was suggested that this workgroup work on developing these explanations to include in the next ELAC Annual Report, to which the workgroup members agreed.

Key Questions Raised:

1. Questions regarding the instruments included in the survey and how many surveys were sent out.



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2. What is the plan, if any, for sharing the survey results at the aggregate level?

Action Steps:

1. Aliah will clarify with DOE how many surveys were sent out and what the confidentiality is for the survey responses; survey subcommittee will meet to begin processing the data and present suggestions for the workgroup's next steps in October.
2. Kevin will work with Michael Conn-Powers to get the latest version of the EEMG Results presentation and share with the workgroup to begin organizing the results for the next ELAC Annual Report.
3. Megan will give an update/summary of the Head Start results at the October meeting.
4. All members will consider new workgroup member suggestions and send them to Kevin Bain and Amanda Lopez.

Next Meeting:

Date: Thursday, October 8, 2015

Location: United Way of Central Indiana (Boardroom TBD)
3901 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46208

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